These businesses say:

INCREASING EUROPE’S CLIMATE AMBITION WILL BE GOOD FOR THE EU ECONOMY AND JOBS

Grow smarter, grow green:
The Joint Business Declaration was organised through the cooperation of The Climate Group, The Cambridge Programme for Sustainability Leadership’s leaders groups (EUCLG, UKCLG, ClimateWise) and WWF/WWF Climate Savers. The Declaration does not necessarily reflect the position of individual companies which are members/partners of these organisations.
Business welcomes the strong public endorsement given to the 30% greenhouse gas reduction target by Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Portugal, Spain, Sweden and the UK. Moving to a 30% emissions reduction target is a win-win-win for Europe. As well as the numerous economic and social benefits of cutting greenhouse gas emissions, it will spur innovation and investment thus creating millions of new jobs in a low carbon economy.

Businesses call for the EU to prepare to increase its greenhouse gas reduction target to 30% to drive low carbon investment:

- Climate action will boost economic growth and create new jobs
- The EU needs the right policies to maintain its leadership and competitiveness in the global low carbon economy
- The EU must ensure energy security through greater low carbon energy investments
- The EU needs to invest now for tomorrow’s technology and infrastructure to avoid high carbon ‘lock-in’ and the financial risk of needing to engineer a rapid shift away from such stranded assets
- The recession has made emissions cuts easier and cheaper but market incentives are required to spur action
- ‘Carbon leakage’ should be evaluated and concerns addressed based on real facts and data about competitiveness

The following businesses have explicitly supported this Declaration so far: